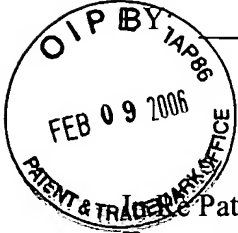


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Applicants in the above-identified application hereby petition for a one (1)-month extension of time to and including February 7, 2006 for responding to the Office Action mailed October 7, 2005. A response to the Office Action accompanies this Petition.

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